

HOW SUBMARINES WERE DESTROYED

Thrilling Tale of How British Navy Coped With the U-Boats

London, Dec. 21.—One of the most exciting chapters of the war against German U-boats is a series of accounts of notable engagements between British decoy ships and the submarines, made public by the British Admiralty. While the whole story of the part played by these vessels, "mystery ships" or "Q" craft has not been revealed, it is evident that several of them were used to lure the Hun undersea craft to their destruction.

Some incidents in this campaign already have been made known, dealing with a few of the exploits of Commander Gordon Campbell as master of the decoy vessels; but others in which he and other captains participated now are available. That at least a small fleet was used in this work is evident from the fact that Campbell at different times appears as the master of the Farnborough, the Pargust, the Dunraven and the Q-5.

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many months the decoy ships heavily armed but with their guns hidden behind false bulwarks, steamed zig-zag paths in the seas which were the hunting grounds of the submarine.

In their character of lazy colliers or slow cargo craft they presented to the submarine commander an inviting object of attack but once he was well within range of the British guns, the false superstructure hiding the guns fell away and the helpless collier became suddenly transformed into a fighting craft, bent on destruction. It was dangerous work requiring a high order of courage for the submarine must be lured near before the guns could safely begin their work. Meantime the Hun frequently had sent his torpedo home, and the decoy ship was disabled, sometimes on fire and part of her crew wounded. In that condition the battle was fought out often the submarine destroyed.

"Panic parties" was one of the ruses practiced by the decoy ships' commander to coax the submarine alongside. When the mystery ship was torpedoed these panic parties took to the boats, apparently abandoning their vessel but always leaving on board another crew to man the guns and finish the submarine if it came near enough.

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to the bottom of the sea.

Prior to that action the Farnborough had cruised throughout the entire winter without being attacked.

Within a month the Farnborough coaxed another submarine near enough to sink her by gunfire. Commander Campbell was transferred to the command of the Q-5 and in the following February, 1917, his vessel was torpedoed by a submarine which eventually approached so near that a shot from the Farnborough, headed the U-boat Captain as he climbed out of the tower the submarine was sunk with her conning tower open and her crew pouring out. Destroyers towed the Q-5 in and beached her. For the exploit the Victoria Cross was awarded to Campbell.

The decoy ship Pargust with Campbell in command was torpedoed on June 7, 1917, while disguised as a British merchant vessel. The submarine came within fifty yards of the Pargust which then opened fire on her with all guns. The conning tower and the U-boat steamed away trying to escape in the mist. The Pargust again opened fire on her and sunk her with one man clinging to her bow as she went down. The decoy vessel was towed back to port by American destroyers. Two Victoria Crosses were awarded for this successful action.

Family Doctor: "Now, Mr. Green, you will never improve if you don't persevere with your iron."

Mr. Green, long suffering goiter patient: "Iron, be d—d, doctor; my iron is the only club I can play at all decently with."

INDIANS DECIDE TO FORM LEAGUE

The Grand Council of Many Tribes Convened at Ohsweken

OFFICERS ARE NAMED Are to Present Their Case to Parliament and People

Ohsweken, Ont., Dec. 20.—A grand council of many tribes of Indians of Ontario was held on the reserve of the Six Nations, the first that has been convened for many decades of a union nature, at which were represented a splendid array of chiefs from the great Ojibway Nation, as well as Mohawks from Deseronto and St. Regis.

Grand Council was convened for the purpose of discussing various domestic problems and advise each other of their common grievances and seek means of redress at the hands of Parliament.

The foremost issue and discussion was the fear so generally entertained by all delegates, the possible operation of the so-called Oliver Act which makes it possible to remove lands from their ancient and cherished homes by sale of their lands even though it may be against their will and protest. This is regarded as a serious encroachment on their tribal rights and liberties secured to them in ancient covenants and treaties with the British Government.

Fighting for justice, freedom and liberty in this late war, they wonder if they are going to be considered in these great vital principles when those of their blood and kin from all over Canada helped to achieve this and with British, Canadian and allied forces.

They are seriously apprehensive in the possible violation of their lands by the introduction of measures to bridge over the differences of ownership, which seems to be the only safeguard against their final disintegration and eventual national extinction.

Joint forces to unanimously present their case alike to the people of Canada and the Government, Grand Council resolved to form a league of Indian nations of Ontario and eventually to embrace all Indians of Canada. It will be purely Canadian.

The following officers were duly selected and installed to prosecute the work of organization: President, Chief F. Oonondewah (Mohawk), Toronto; Vice-President, Rev. Simpson A. Brigham (Ojibway), Walpole Island; Secretary, Chief William Cornelius (Oneida), Oneida Reserve, Ontario; Treasurer, Chief Joseph Mouture (Delaware), Hagersville; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Asa Hill (Mohawk), Ohsweken.

RALLY HELD BY LEAGUE

Tom Lyle Addressed Shop Workers and Others Last Night

A general executive meeting of the Municipal League, attended by a number of shop workers, was held last evening at headquarters, 36 Dalhousie street, when Mr. Tom Lyle, the league's candidate for the mayoralty, and Mr. C. Cook made statements in reference to the campaign. J. S. Dowling presided at the meeting, when reports were received from all the ward committees. It was the general feeling of the meeting that the campaign proper should not commence until after the rush of Christmas business was over.

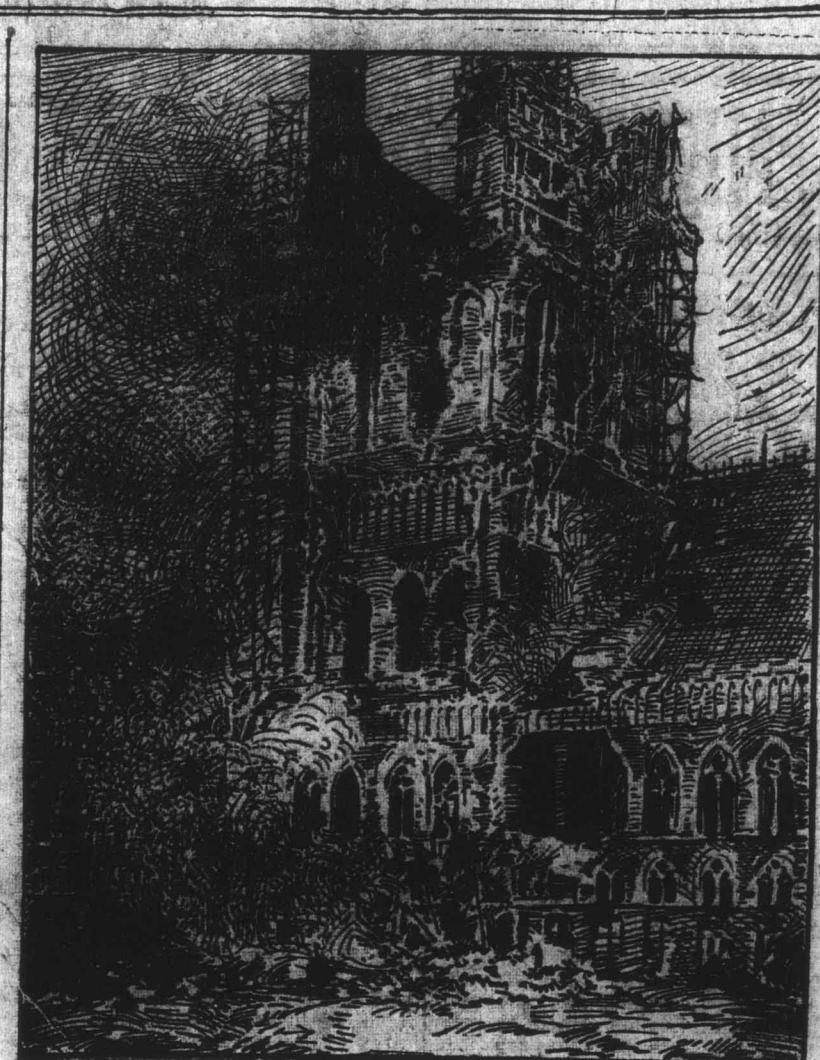
Resolutions calling for a judicial investigation into several phases of civic administration were passed by the meeting, in reference to the coal and whiskey business, over which it was stated the Mayor had exerted supreme control.

Mr. Lyle, in his address, referred to the propaganda against him, in that he was said to have been responsible for his coming into this connection. Mr. Lyle stated that he was first approached by a returned soldier, and the second man who asked him to run was a returned soldier, while the third man who broached the subject, promising support, was also a returned soldier. Every one of these men had been in France. Mr. Lyle said his attention had also been called to the insidious reports being spread that he was out for the mayoralty in order to cut wages. The report was an insult to his friends, and he could only dismiss it by asking those to whom it was told to put themselves in touch with the shopmates with whom he had been connected for many years, to learn if he were of the wage-cutting type of man. The history of the factory for which he worked should also be considered in this connection. Mr. Lyle asked his workers to keep their work up, and there would be no doubt of the result.

Mr. C. Cook took occasion to say that the origin of the Municipal League had been in entirely other hands than those of Mr. Thomas Henry and J. H. H. H. H. gentlemen had both come in with their support, and in due time would present their reasons to the public for supporting the league. The league was a most critical one in the history of Brantford.

There was a large gathering of shopmen present, and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed at the meeting.

Children's Day for Fletcher's Castoria



Destruction of Belgium renders people destitute.

The above picture shows the famous Cloth Hall of Ypres wrecked by German shells and smouldering under the fire caused by many explosions. To-day only portions of the outer walls remain standing, the whole interior has long been burned out. The work of hundreds of years, and the pride of a nation has been destroyed by the wanton lust of destruction. The destruction of the Cloth Hall is irreparable. It will one day be built again but never as it was. The whole of Ypres was also laid in ruins by the German artillery.

What was done in Ypres was done in hundreds of other towns in Belgium. Public buildings, renowned for their antiquity and extraordinary beauty, counted for nothing to the Germans. Homes, factories, workshops, have all been destroyed, and through their destruction the livelihood of the Belgian people has been swept away.

To-day there is no work to be had in Belgium, wheels of industry have been stifled by the destructiveness of the enemy. The winter has already made itself felt, and the sufferings of the civil population will be intense indeed unless help is sent to them.

Food and clothing are needed by the mothers and children who have been thrown out of their homes and whose houses and possessions have been looted and plundered by the enemy. They have been turned on the world helpless, and until work can be found for them and the soil of Belgium can again be cultivated to yield sufficient crops to care for the needs of the people they must be dependent upon outside help to sustain them through the winter.

As soon as Belgium can gather together the threads of her official life, resume her industries and arrange for the people going back on the land the Belgians will be able to look after their own needs, but until that time comes, and to offset any further suffering by the civilian population, help from Canada as well as from the other allied countries is asked for by the Belgians. To those who would alleviate the conditions of the Belgians, the Belgian relief fund offers the best opportunity, for under its direct care the needs of those who suffer from the war are met. Contributions should be sent to your local committee or direct to the Central Committee, Belgian relief fund, 59 St. Peter's street, Montreal.

DEADLOCK IN TORONTO STRIKE

Police Are Still Out, All Negotiations Having Failed

Toronto, Dec. 21.—The police strike is still at a deadlock. After a strenuous day of effort yesterday, during which many attempts were made to bridge over the differences between the police and the police commissioners, and during which the representatives of the Ontario Government and Mayor Church showed themselves willing to meet the full demands of the strikers, the situation has settled down to a straight contest between the police and two members of the police commission, Magistrate Denison and Judge Winchester. The steps taken during the day to settle the strike were interesting, and they were not entirely without result. On Thursday night, it will be recalled, there were two points of difference between the police and the commission. The first was that the strikers refused to allow their charter to stand in abeyance until a decision as to its legality had been given by a Royal Commission, and the second was that the police demanded the personnel of the Royal Commission. While the second difficulty has been cleared up to the satisfaction of all, there still remains the hitch with regard to the charter, and when the police declared last night that a deadlock had been reached, they sent their members home with the exception of the executive committee, and the commission.

PARIS COUPLE WEDDED 30 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Howell Honored on Anniversary of Their Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. J. Albert Howell celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding in a real celebration at Paris, Ont., on Wednesday evening December 18th.

At nine o'clock, a roar of happy voices was heard outside of their home, and in flocked a happy gathering of thirty members of the popular Philathes class. Each member represented a huge church, the members being carried in and presented to the honored host and hostess.

The three lone men permitted to be there carried in boxes of provisions, reminding one of the Olympic trials, was loaded for the boys overseas.

After happy greetings and congratulations, Mrs. Howell, the Philathes Class honored teacher, was presented with a splendid illustrated teacher's Bible and new Methodist hymn book.

Mrs. Howell was quite overcome and had to have Mr. Howell express her thanks for this great surprise, not only of their company but the beautiful gifts, expressing their love and appreciation of her services.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Gymnasium Building, Military Hospital, Burlington, Ont." will be received until 12 o'clock noon Monday, December 30, 1918, for the construction of a gymnasium building, Military Hospital, Burlington, Ont.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of the Chief Architect, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, the Clerk of Works, Postal Station "F", Toronto; and of the Caretaker, Public Building, Hamilton, Ont.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the forms supplied by the Department, and in accordance with the conditions set forth therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to 10 per cent of the amount of the tender. War Loan Bonds of the Dominion will also be accepted as security, or war bonds and cheques if required to make up an odd amount.

By order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, December 19, 1918.

Xmas Gifts Some Suggestions

- Child's Set: Knife, Fork and Spoon.
- Child's Set: Plate, Cup and Saucer.
- Pearl Handled Knives and Forks.
- Butter Spreads.
- Butter Knives.
- Fruit Knives.
- Carving Sets.
- Pickle Forks.
- Cold Meat Forks.
- Cheese Scoops.
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- Steel Knives and Forks.
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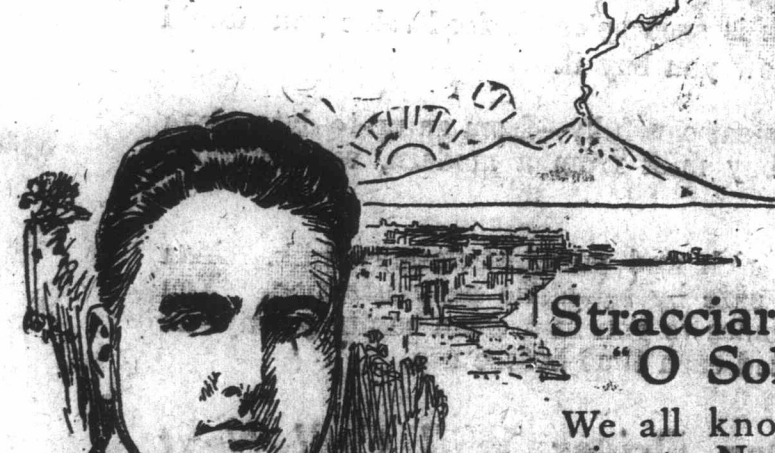


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